

**MINUTES**  
**SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**  
**Project and Lands Committee**  
**Wednesday, October 10, 2007**  
**9:00AM**  
**EAA - Construction Trailer**  
**Barnard Parsons Joint Venture**  
**13775 South US 27**  
**South Bay, FL 33493**

**Attendees:**

Harkley Thornton, Chairman  
Nicolas Gutierrez  
Malcolm Wade

Shannon Estenoz, Vice Chair  
Melissa Meeker

**Governing Board Members attending:**

Eric Buermann  
Michael Collins  
Charles Dauray  
Patrick Rooney, Jr.

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Thornton called the meeting to order at 9:10 am.

**2. Agenda Changes/Additions/Deletions**

There were no changes to the agenda.

**3. Approval of minutes from last meeting held on September 12, 2007**

Motion made by Nicolas Gutierrez, seconded by Shannon Estenoz, to approve the minutes. Vote called. Voting yes: Harkley Thornton, Shannon Estenoz, Nicolas Gutierrez, Melissa Meeker, and Malcolm Wade. Motion passed.

**4. EAA Reservoir – Kenneth G. Ammon, P.E., Deputy Executive Director, Everglades Restoration Resource Area**

Tommy Stowd, Assistant Deputy Executive Director, presented information on the EAA Reservoir.

Jeff Kivett, CERP Engineering Director, Everglades Restoration, provided details on how the project is being constructed.

A discussion followed regarding the design standards for the reservoir. It was recommended to discuss the design concept of the reservoir building a dike versus a dam at the afternoon workshop. This discussion would include how the construction requirements relate to crediting by the federal government.

Recreation in the reservoir was also addressed. Fishing will be allowed in the seepage canals. The completed reservoir will need to be operated for a period of time to ensure recreation is completely compatible with the purpose of the project before opening it to the public.

**5. Sunniland Pipeline - Ruth Clements, Director, Land Acquisition and Land Management Department**

Ruth Clements, Director, Land Acquisition, presented information on the Sunniland Pipeline.

Staff's recommendation is not approving the testing and temporary access for the unauthorized crude oil pipeline, but recommends the approval of permit identifying the applicant as the owner.

**6. C-43 Water Quality Project – Ruth Clements, Director, Land Acquisition and Land Management Department and Kenneth G. Ammon, P.E., Deputy Executive Director, Everglades Restoration Resource Area**

Ms. Clements presented the proposed 1780 acre acquisition in Glades County for the C-43 Water Quality and Test Project. The land cost is \$38 million. The proposed acquisition will come to the full Board in November for consideration.

There was Board concern about diverting project dollars in the current financial climate for the immediate construction of the proposed project. The land acquisition is fully supported. There will need to be future discussion to address the project's schedule, permitting and technologies available.

**Item 7. Board Discussion.**

Larry Carter, Assistant Deputy Executive Director, Operations & Maintenance, provided an update on the Ten-Mile Creek Reservoir Project.

Ms. Meeker requested staff to work to improve the outreach efforts with local governments to ensure that they are aware of the progress of addressing deficiencies.

Adjourn

Chair Thornton adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.

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Shannon Estenoz  
Vice Chair  
Projects and Lands Committee

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